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AN ACT

To repeal sections 135.305, 135.710, and 137.010, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof five new sections relating to taxation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 135.305, 135.710, and 137.010, RSMo, are repealed

- 2 and five new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 135.305,
- 3 135.710, 137.010, 620.750, and 620.2600, to read as follows:

135.305. A Missouri wood energy producer shall be eligible for a tax credit

- 2 on taxes otherwise due under chapter 143, except sections 143.191 to 143.261, as
- 3 a production incentive to produce processed wood products in a qualified wood-
- 4 producing facility using Missouri forest product residue. The tax credit to the
- 5 wood energy producer shall be five dollars per ton of processed material. The
- 6 credit may be claimed for a period of five years and is to be a tax credit against
- 7 the tax otherwise due. No new tax credits, provided for under sections 135.300
- 8 to 135.311, shall be authorized after June 30, [2013] 2020. In no event shall
- 9 the aggregate amount of all tax credits allowed under sections 135.300
- 10 to 135.311 exceed six million dollars in any given fiscal year. There
- 11 shall be no tax credits authorized under sections 135.300 to 135.311
- 12 unless an appropriation is made for such tax credits.

135.710. 1. As used in this section, the following terms mean:

- 2 (1) "Alternative fuel vehicle refueling property", property in this
- 3 state owned by an eligible applicant and used for storing alternative
- 4 fuels and for dispensing such alternative fuels into fuel tanks of motor

vehicles owned by such eligible applicant or private citizens;

- 6 (2) "Alternative fuels", any motor fuel at least seventy percent of the volume of which consists of one or more of the following:
- 8 (a) Ethanol;
- 9 (b) Natural gas;
- 10 (c) Compressed natural gas, or CNG;
- 11 (d) Liquified natural gas, or LNG;
- 12 (e) Liquified petroleum gas, or LP gas, propane, or autogas;
- 13 (f) Any mixture of biodiesel and diesel fuel, without regard to any use of
- 14 kerosene;

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- 15 (g) Hydrogen;
- 16 [(2)] (3) "Department", the department of [natural resources] economic development;
 - (4) "Electric vehicle recharging property", property in this state owned by an eligible applicant and used for recharging electric motor vehicles owned by such eligible applicant or private citizens;
- [(3)] (5) "Eligible applicant", a business entity or private citizen that is the owner of [a qualified] an electric vehicle recharging property or an alternative fuel vehicle refueling property;
 - (6) "Qualified Missouri contractor", a contractor whose principal place of business is located in Missouri and has been located in Missouri for a period of not less than five years;
- [(4)] (7) "Qualified [alternative fuel vehicle refueling] property", [property in this state owned by an eligible applicant and used for storing alternative fuels and for dispensing such alternative fuels into fuel tanks of motor vehicles owned by such eligible applicant or private citizens] an electric vehicle recharging property or an alternative fuel vehicle refueling property which, if constructed after August 28, [2008] 2014, was constructed with at least fifty-one percent of the costs being paid to qualified Missouri contractors for the:
- 34 (a) Fabrication of premanufactured equipment or process piping used in 35 the construction of such facility;
 - (b) Construction of such facility; and
- 37 (c) General maintenance of such facility during the time period in which 38 such facility receives any tax credit under this section.
- 39 If no qualified Missouri contractor is located within seventy-five miles of the

property, the requirement that fifty-one percent of the costs shall be paid to

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- 41 qualified Missouri contractors shall not apply[;
- 42 (5) "Qualified Missouri contractor", a contractor whose principal place of 43 business is located in Missouri and has been located in Missouri for a period of 44 not less than five years].
- 2. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, [2009] 2015, but 45 before January 1, [2012] 2018, any eligible applicant who installs and operates 46 a qualified [alternative fuel vehicle refueling] property shall be allowed a credit 47 against the tax otherwise due under chapter 143, excluding withholding tax 48 imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, or due under chapter 147 or chapter 148 49 50 for any tax year in which the applicant is constructing the [refueling] qualified 51 property. The credit allowed in this section per eligible applicant who is a 52 private citizen shall not exceed fifteen hundred dollars or per eligible applicant that is a business entity shall not exceed the lesser of twenty 53 thousand dollars or twenty percent of the total costs directly associated with the 54 purchase and installation of any alternative fuel storage and dispensing 55 equipment or any recharging equipment on any qualified [alternative fuel 56 57 vehicle refueling property, which shall not include the following:
- 58 (1) Costs associated with the purchase of land upon which to place a 59 qualified [alternative fuel vehicle refueling] property;
 - (2) Costs associated with the purchase of an existing qualified [alternative fuel vehicle refueling] property; or
 - (3) Costs for the construction or purchase of any structure.
- 63 3. Tax credits allowed by this section shall be claimed by the eligible applicant at the time such applicant files a return for the tax year in which the 64 65 storage and dispensing or recharging facilities were placed in service at a qualified [alternative fuel vehicle refueling] property, and shall be applied 66 against the income tax liability imposed by chapter 143, chapter 147, or chapter 67 148 after all other credits provided by law have been applied. The cumulative 68 amount of tax credits which may be claimed by eligible applicants claiming all 69 70 credits authorized in this section shall not exceed [the following amounts:
 - (1) In taxable year 2009, three million dollars;
 - (2) In taxable year 2010, two million dollars; and
- 73 (3) In taxable year 2011,] one million dollars in any calendar year, subject to appropriations.
- 4. If the amount of the tax credit exceeds the eligible applicant's tax liability, the difference shall not be refundable. Any amount of credit that an

eligible applicant is prohibited by this section from claiming in a taxable year may be carried forward to any of such applicant's two subsequent taxable years. Tax credits allowed under this section may be assigned, transferred, sold, or otherwise conveyed.

- 5. [An alternative fuel vehicle refueling] Any qualified property, for which an eligible applicant receives tax credits under this section, which ceases to sell alternative fuel or recharge electric vehicles shall cause the forfeiture of such eligible applicant's tax credits provided under this section for the taxable year in which the [alternative fuel vehicle refueling] qualified property ceased to sell alternative fuel or recharge electric vehicles and for future taxable years with no recapture of tax credits obtained by an eligible applicant with respect to such applicant's tax years which ended before the sale of alternative fuel or recharging of electric vehicles ceased.
- 6. The director of revenue shall establish the procedure by which the tax credits in this section may be claimed, and shall establish a procedure by which the cumulative amount of tax credits is apportioned equally among all eligible applicants claiming the credit. To the maximum extent possible, the director of revenue shall establish the procedure described in this subsection in such a manner as to ensure that eligible applicants can claim all the tax credits possible up to the cumulative amount of tax credits available for the taxable year. No eligible applicant claiming a tax credit under this section shall be liable for any interest or penalty for filing a tax return after the date fixed for filing such return as a result of the apportionment procedure under this subsection.
- 7. Any eligible applicant desiring to claim a tax credit under this section shall submit the appropriate application for such credit with the department. The application for a tax credit under this section shall include any information required by the department. The department shall review the applications and certify to the department of revenue each eligible applicant that qualifies for the tax credit.
- 8. The department and the department of revenue may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date,

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- 113 or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then
- 114 the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August
- 115 28, 2008, shall be invalid and void.
- 9. [Pursuant to] **The provisions of** section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act **notwithstanding**:
- 118 (1) The provisions of the new program authorized under this section shall 119 automatically sunset [six] **three** years after [August 28, 2008] **December 31,** 120 **2014**, unless reauthorized by an act of the general assembly; and
 - (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized under this section shall automatically sunset [twelve] six years after the effective date of the reauthorization of this section; and
 - (3) This section shall terminate on December thirty-first of the calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the program authorized under this section is sunset; and
 - (4) The provisions of this subsection shall not be construed to limit or in any way impair the department's ability to redeem tax credits authorized on or before the date the program authorized under this section expires or a taxpayer's ability to redeem such tax credits.
 - 137.010. The following words, terms and phrases when used in laws 2 governing taxation and revenue in the state of Missouri shall have the meanings 3 ascribed to them in this section, except when the context clearly indicates a 4 different meaning:
- 5 (1) "Grain and other agricultural crops in an unmanufactured condition"
 6 shall mean grains and feeds including, but not limited to, soybeans, cow peas,
 7 wheat, corn, oats, barley, kafir, rye, flax, grain sorghums, cotton, and such other
 8 products as are usually stored in grain and other elevators and on farms; but
 9 excluding such grains and other agricultural crops after being processed into
 10 products of such processing, when packaged or sacked. The term "processing"
 11 shall not include hulling, cleaning, drying, grating, or polishing;
- 12 (2) "Hydroelectric power generating equipment", very-low-head turbine 13 generators with a nameplate generating capacity of at least four hundred 14 kilowatts but not more than six hundred kilowatts and machinery and equipment 15 used directly in the production, generation, conversion, storage, or conveyance of 16 hydroelectric power to land-based devices and appurtenances used in the 17 transmission of electrical energy;
 - (3) "Intangible personal property", for the purpose of taxation, shall

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include all property other than real property and tangible personal property, as 20 defined by this section;

- 21 (4) "Real property" includes land itself, whether laid out in town lots or 22 otherwise, and all growing crops, buildings, structures, improvements and 23 fixtures of whatever kind thereon, hydroelectric power generating equipment, the 24installed poles used in the transmission or reception of electrical energy, audio signals, video signals or similar purposes, provided the owner of such installed 2526poles is also an owner of a fee simple interest, possessor of an easement, holder 27of a license or franchise, or is the beneficiary of a right-of-way dedicated for 28public utility purposes for the underlying land; attached wires, transformers, 29 amplifiers, substations, and other such devices and appurtenances used in the 30 transmission or reception of electrical energy, audio signals, video signals or 31 similar purposes when owned by the owner of the installed poles, otherwise such 32items are considered personal property; and stationary property used for 33 transportation or storage of liquid and gaseous products, including, but not 34 limited to, petroleum products, natural gas, propane or LP gas equipment, water, and sewage;
- (5) "Tangible personal property" includes every tangible thing being the 36 37subject of ownership or part ownership whether animate or inanimate, other than money, and not forming part or parcel of real property as herein defined, but does 38 39 not include household goods, furniture, wearing apparel and articles of personal use and adornment, as defined by the state tax commission, owned and used by 40 a person in his home or dwelling place. 41
 - 620.750. 1. The department of economic development, subject to an appropriation not to exceed five million dollars each fiscal year, shall develop and implement rural regional development grants as provided in this section.
 - 2. Rural regional development grants may be provided to qualified rural regional development groups. After the award of a grant, the group shall:
 - (1) Track and monitor job creation and investment in the region using quantitative measures that measure progress toward preestablished goals;
- (2) Establish a process for enrolling commercial and industrial 11 development sites in the region in the state-certified sites program or 12 maintain a list of state-certified commercial and industrial

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- 14 development sites in the region;
 - (3) Measure the skills of the region's workforce;
- 16 (4) Provide an organizational chart demonstrating that private 17 businesses and local governmental and educational officials are 18 involved in the group; and
- 19 **(5)** Provide documentation of the group's financial activities for 20 the current year.
- 3. A rural regional development group shall not qualify for a rural regional development grant if:
 - (1) The group's region includes a county or portion of another state outside the state of Missouri; or
 - (2) The group maintains an operating budget greater than two hundred fifty thousand dollars.
- 4. Applications for rural regional development grants shall only be submitted for a rural regional development group by a regional planning commission created under chapter 251 or other legally created regional planning commission. A regional planning commission may submit applications on behalf of more than one rural regional development group, except that a regional planning commission shall not submit an application on behalf of a group that the regional planning commission does not recognize as the economic development authority for the county that the authority represents.
 - 5. The regional planning commission may charge an application fee for the grants developed under this section. The regional planning commission shall be allowed to claim reimbursement from the grant recipient for actual costs of administering the grants.
- 6. A single grant shall not exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars. Each of the nineteen regions of the state represented by a regional planning commission created under chapter 251 or other legally created regional planning commission shall not receive more than two grants per region annually.
- 7. Grants provided under this section shall be distributed based on a rural regional development group's years in operation. The eligible amount shall be:
- 48 (1) For a group in operation two years or more on a matching 49 basis of three dollars of state funds for every one dollar of funds 50 provided or raised by the rural regional development group, including

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- the value of in-kind services, supplies, or equipment; 51
- 52 (2) For groups in operation less than two years on a matching basis of one dollar of state funds for every one dollar of funds provided 53 or raised by the rural regional development group, including the value of in-kind services, supplies, or equipment. 55
- 56 8. Uses for the grants may include, but are not limited to, the following activities: 57
- 58 (1) Workforce development activities, such as evaluation and 59 education;
- 60 (2) Entrepreneurship training for pre-venture and existing businesses: 61
 - (3) Development of regional marketing techniques and activities;
- 63 (4) International trade training for new-to-export businesses in the region; 64
- 65 (5) In-depth market research and financial analysis for 66 businesses in the region;
- 67 (6) Demographic and market opportunity research to assist regional planning commissions in developing their comprehensive 68 economic development strategy. 69
 - 9. The grant recipient shall annually report to the governor; the director of the department of economic development; the senate committee on commerce, consumer protection and the environment; the house committee on economic development and any successor committees thereto, the allocation of the grants and the purposes for which the funding was used.
- 10. The department of economic development may promulgate rules governing the award of grants under this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010 that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all the provisions of chapter 536, and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536, to review, to delay the 84 effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2014, shall be invalid and void.
 - 620.2600. 1. This section shall be known and may be cited as the

- 2 "Innovation Campus Tax Credit Act".
- 3 2. As used in this section, the following terms mean:
- 4 (1) "Certificate", a tax credit certificate issued under this section;
- 5 (2) "Department", the Missouri department of economic 6 development;
- (3) "Eligible donation", donations received from a taxpayer by innovation campuses that are to be used solely for projects that advance learning in the areas of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Eligible donations may include cash, publicly traded stocks and bonds, and real estate that shall be valued and documented according to the rules promulgated by the department of economic development;
- 14 (4) "Innovation education campus" or "innovation campus", as 15 defined in section 178.1100;
- 16 (5) "Taxpayer", any of the following individuals or entities who 17 make an eligible donation to any innovation campus:
- 18 (a) A person, firm, partner in a firm, corporation, or a 19 shareholder in an S corporation doing business in the state of Missouri 20 and subject to the state income tax imposed in chapter 143;
- 21 (b) A corporation subject to the annual corporation franchise tax 22 imposed in chapter 147;
- 23 (c) An insurance company paying an annual tax on its gross 24 premium receipts in this state;
- 25 (d) Any other financial institution paying taxes to the state of 26 Missouri or any political subdivisions of this state under chapter 148;
- (e) An individual subject to the state income tax imposed in chapter 143;
- 29 (f) Any charitable organization which is exempt from federal 30 income tax and whose Missouri unrelated business taxable income, if 31 any, would be subject to the state income tax imposed under chapter 32 143.
- 33 3. For all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2015, any taxpayer shall be allowed a credit against the taxes otherwise due under chapters 147, 148, or 143, excluding withholding tax imposed by sections 143.191 to 143.265, in an amount equal to fifty percent of the amount of an eligible donation, subject to the restrictions in this section. The amount of the tax credit claimed shall not exceed the

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amount of the taxpayer's state income tax liability in the tax year for which the credit is claimed. Any amount of credit that the taxpayer is prohibited by this section from claiming in a tax year shall not be refundable, but may be carried forward to any of the taxpayer's four subsequent taxable years.

- 4. To claim the credit authorized in this section, an innovation campus may submit to the department an application for the tax credit authorized by this section on behalf of taxpayers. The department shall verify that the innovation campus has submitted the following items:
- (1) A valid application in the form and format required by the department;
- 50 (2) A statement attesting to the eligible donation received, which 51 shall include the name and taxpayer identification number of the 52 taxpayer making the eligible donation, the amount of the eligible 53 donation, and the date the eligible donation was received by the 54 innovation campus; and
- 55 (3) Payment from the innovation campus equal to the value of 56 the tax credit for which application is made.
- 57 If the innovation campus applying for the tax credit meets all criteria 58 required by this subsection, the department shall issue a certificate in 59 the appropriate amount.
 - 5. Tax credits issued under this section may be assigned, transferred, sold, or otherwise conveyed, and the new owner of the tax credit shall have the same rights in the credit as the taxpayer. Whenever a certificate is assigned, transferred, sold, or otherwise conveyed, a notarized endorsement shall be filed with the department specifying the name and address of the new owner of the tax credit and the value of the credit.
- 6. The department may promulgate rules to implement the provisions of this section. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking

authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2014, shall be invalid and void.

- 7. Under section 23.253 of the Missouri sunset act:
- 79 (1) The program authorized under this section shall expire six 80 years after the effective date of this act unless reauthorized by an act 81 of the general assembly; and
- 82 (2) If such program is reauthorized, the program authorized 83 under this section shall automatically sunset twelve years after the 84 effective date of this section; and
- 85 (3) This section shall terminate on September first of the 86 calendar year immediately following the calendar year in which the 87 program authorized under this section is sunset.

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